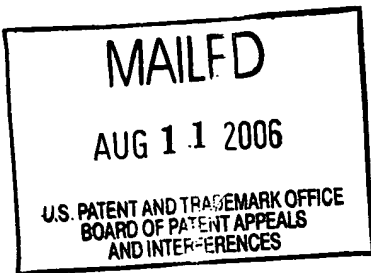


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Ex parte HISAO HAYASHI, MASAHIRO FUJINO,
YASUSHI SHIMOGAICHI and MAKOTO TAKATOKU

Application 09/772,986

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on August 2, 2006. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

On November 29, 2005, applicants filed a "Reply to Advisory Action of November 28, 2005". However, the examiner needs to consider the paper filed November 29, 2005.

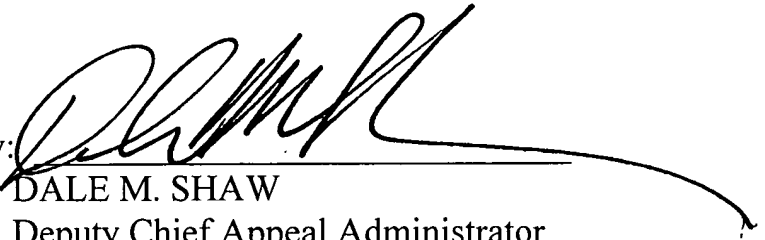
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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is being electronically returned to the Examiner to consider the paper filed November 29, 2005, and for further action as may be appropriate.

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